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Read our Nation's History.

During the evening long Fall and Winter evenings, much precious time may be wasted, or worse than wasted by lounging idly or pernicious conversation, reading, amusement. Much better would it be for all—old and young, male and female—to persevere, regularly, either in families or reading circles, with a friend or two, or along THE BEST HISTORIES of our country that can be obtained. It will be found both profitable and entertaining. In the wars of 1776 and of 1812, the sufferings and woes of humanity were as conspicuous as they now are. Treachery, deceit, cruelty, ambition, fraud, peculation, greediness, taxation, carelessness, insobriety, and meanness of every kind, often marred our fortunes, blasted our hopes, and inspired our foes. We had sneaking Tories in our midst in '76, and Peace men in '12, and their prototypes in '61. Great men were humbled, and unknown men exalted, then as well as now. But THE CAUSE was as good then as it now is, and we may as reasonably hope for success. But READ our previous History, and draw your own parallels.

Impatience of our People.

There is nothing more impulsive, just now, to the public interest, than the hasty and impetuous demands of stay-at-home warriors and petticoated statesmen, who presume to judge of a thousand things of which they know nothing at all. Even Telegrams are now ordered to be sent "as soon as possible," as though there were some superior medium of transmission than the electric "fluid." The most important expeditions—requiring perhaps absolute secrecy for their success—are bluffed to the four winds by the reckless, excitable, prating, sensation-newspapers, whose conductors would destroy the Government rather than let a rival have a news item one hour in advance of themselves. The most improbable and injurious contraband (big lies) are invented and set afloat, to make a few pennies extra. The best, life-long-earned reputation, is sacrificed for a song.

Take, for example, the "manner in which, for months past, Mr. Welles, Secretary of the Navy, has been assailed, for dilatoriness and inefficiency, and his removal and disgrace demanded. Yet all the while he has been organizing—from the chaos he found his department in—one of the most formidable and complete Naval Expeditions the world ever saw. Gen Fremont, also, from nothing, has organized an army which has swept a strong and triumphant enemy into one corner of the State. Both men are only mortal, and may have committed errors or blunders, but they have both gone on steadily at their work, and demonstrated that, while they have been compelled to make some sacrifices, and suffered some losses, they have cared faithfully for the GREATEST and most far-reaching results.

Considering that the Union has only begun to defend itself for about six months, while the Rebels have been plotting for thirty years, and have been in real War for more than a year, the Administration has done much. Six months ago, the Old World despised our lack of spirit, and looked upon our Nation as destroyed; now, they respect us, and true men everywhere have hope for us. Our own impatience, lack of knowledge, and want of manly confidence in those who are risking fortune, life and honor in the real contest—while we are at our own ease, at home—is the worst feature in this great controversy. We push our efforts into a Bell-Run fight, when they are unprepared, and then ensure them for their failure. We forget that we are not fighting Mexicans, but we fight Anglo-Saxons, like ourselves, only longer prepared, and choosing their own ground. We want to crowd the work of years into months and days. This is all untrue—unreasonable—unjust. Let us possess our souls in patience—attempt not to hurry the Telegraph, or compel soldiers to make an aggressive movement until they are prepared, of which fact they are generally as well apprised as any man or woman in his or her arm-chair.

THE NEWS.—For a few days, there has been nothing of a decisive character from our Army. In Texas, the Unionists mostly hold their own, and we have forewarnings of armies from California, to assail Secession in the rear. In Missouri, Kentucky, and Western Virginia, the Union armies have been advancing, and are rejoicing over decided successes in several skirmishes. There are no advances along the Upper Potowmack, but the enemy seems to be opposite Washington. There is little navigation below the Capital—the transportation being mostly through Indianapolis and Baltimore. The accumulation and drilling of the Grand Army continues. The courage and endurance of our men is a proud proof that they are becoming worthy of trust in every emergency.

That valuable Huntington property, in Old Hartley, is again up for sale—the last chance.

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Latest News

NEW YORK, Oct. 31.—The steamer *Asga*, from Hayes and Southampton, Oct. 15, has arrived. Among her passengers are Capt. Lewellyn Jones, of the U. S. Army; J. W. Quiggle, late U. S. Consul at Antwerp; Major Havelock, of the British Army, and Col. Alexander Errol, late of the Russian Army. The Asga brings 1173 packages of arms, and 604 packages containing equipments and clothing for Quartermaster General Morris. They comprise arms, equipments and clothing for twenty thousand men.

Sailing of the Great Expedition.

FOURTH MONDAY, Oct. 29.—The great expedition sailed this morning. The flag ship Wabash took the lead at daylight, when a gun was fired as a signal. The steamer Catawba brought up the rear. The vessels, more than fifty in number, formed in line a few miles down the Roads and went out between the capes in splendid style. The weather was fine.

HARRISBURG, Oct. 29.—Gov. Curtin, in accordance with instructions received from the War Department, has issued orders to the following named Regiments:

Col. Harrant's Fifty-first Regiment.
Col. Dodge's Fifty-second Regiment.
Col. Brooke's Fifty-third Regiment.
Col. Coulter's Eleventh Regiment.

The above are all at Camp Curtin.

Col. Davis' One hundred and fourth Regiment, at Doylestown.

Col. Cade's Ninety-sixth Regiment, atottsville.

Col. Goss' Ninety-seventh Regiment, at West Chester.

Also, one Regiment from Camp Cameron, near this point.

These Regiments, eight in number, are all full, and splendidly armed and equipped, and will move to their respective destinations during this week.

CAIRO, Ill., Oct. 28.—A party of the Twenty-eighth Illinois Regiment, while scouting, Saturday, encountered a party of Rebel cavalry and infantry, thirteen miles below this place. A brisk engagement ensued, in which the Rebels were routed, with the loss of a captain, lieutenant, and several wounded. No loss on our side.

PADUCAH, Ky., Oct. 28.—Three companies of the Ninth Illinois Regiment went to Saratoga, forty-eight miles up the Cumberland river, on Saturday, and attacked a company of Rebel cavalry, one hundred strong, completely routing them. The anxious buyers, thinking perhaps their bid had been below Prentice's estimate of his honor, increased their offer, and through an old political friend, (since quartered at Ft. Lafayette) he was informed that \$50,000 were in a Louisville bank subject to the draft of Geo. D. Prentice, provided the Journal was honorably conducted according to certain terms. An increased severity, upon the Disunionists in the columns of the Journal, was the response to this proposal. Next came a railroad man from the far West, who showed all politeness, and wanted an influential paper to support the Pacific Railroad enterprise. He would give Prentice \$25,000 for the Journal. This bid was too low, and George D. Prentice remains unbought—we hope unpurchaseable.

The Rebels confess a loss of 300 at the battle of Bull's Bluff, near Leesburg, where the brave Baker fell. Gen. McClellan has issued a General Order thanking all concerned on our side for their bravery, without indicating where the error of the affair lay. This is our first check in driving back the enemy on the line of 30 to 50 miles, and it is not to be expected we should always be successful in contests with our equals on their own ground.

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